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**MIOSHA GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARD
PART 74 FIRE FIGHTING
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

May 17, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.
Virtual – Teams Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Cleveland.....Egelston Twp.
Steven Heim.....Lincoln Park Fire Dept.
Michael McLeier.....Michigan State Firemen's Association/E.S.C.A.P.E.
Kevin Sehlmeier.....LARA – Bureau of Fire Services
Jeramie Morris.....Dow/Process Safety Expertise Center
Kenneth Barnes.....Delta Twp. Fire Dept.
Jeffery Knowles.....Cascade Twp.
David Glotzbach.....Muskegon Charter Twp. Fire Dept.

MIOSHA STAFF PRESENT:

Bart Pickelman.....MIOSHA Director
Ron Ray.....MIOSHA Technical Services Division Director
Shannon Matsumoto.....MIOSHA Standards and FOIA Manager
Daniela Garza.....MIOSHA Standards and FOIA Section Analyst
Toscha Klopp.....MIOSHA Standards and FOIA Section Secretary
Kristin Osterkamp.....MIOSHA CET Senior Industrial Hygienist
Augustine Syrov.....MIOSHA CET Occupational Safety Consultant
Richard Pfander Jr.....MIOSHA GISHD Safety & Health Manager

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lee Finlayson.....Retired
Eva Hatt.....Retired
Brian Hunter.....Marathon Petroleum Company

GUEST

Jeff Yaroch.....State Representative

Call to Order

The May 17, 2021, General Industry Safety and Health Standard Part 74 Fire Fighting, (GI Part 74), advisory committee meeting was called to order by Mr. Barnes at 9:03 a.m.

Roll call was taken. A quorum of advisory committee members was present.

Approval of April 26, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Mr. Knowles to accept the minutes from the April 26, 2020 meeting. Mr. McLeieer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Proposed Changes

The group continued with the recommended changes by MIOSHA staff.

Rule 7451(1)(a) – recommended to remove “recognized” so it would read “a requirement that the national incident management system be implemented at each emergency.” Discussion held, and decision was made to add to the enforcement instruction, and to specify the minimum level of incident management system training required for fire departments.

Mr. Cleveland proposed “a requirement that a recognized incident management system providing structure and coordination to the management of emergency operations shall be implemented at each emergency.” Motion made by Mr. Knowles to accept the proposed language. Mr. Glotzbach seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rule 7451(1)(b) – asked the committee for some examples of the personnel accountability system that could be added into the enforcement instruction. The Passport system is used by some departments, each department has their own system. NFPA 1561 may be a good standard to review for some reference.

Rule 7451(1)(c) – recommended to change language to “a written assessment of the types of emergency operations the fire department is expected to perform (e.g., fire suppression, trench rescue, rope rescue) and the employees authorized to perform the identified operations. If this is approved, then Rule 7151(1)(d) would be struck. Motion made by Mr. Heim to accept the proposed language. Mr. Cleveland seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rule 7463 – recommended to change “hardware” to “auxiliary equipment” in the title and in rule 7463(1). Motion made by Mr. Heim to accept the proposed language. Mr. Knowles seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Rule 7464 – recommended to change the numbers to letters in the rule set and add another rule (1 to a, 2 to b, etc.).

Rule 7464(1) - modified to say “Each fire department shall establish and maintain an employee training and education program. The training and education program shall include all of the following:”

(a) A written policy which establishes the type, amount, frequency of training to be provided to firefighters, and maintain training records. The training records shall be available for inspection by the director of the department of labor and economic opportunity or his or her authorized representative and by an employee or his or her authorized representative.

(b) Assurance that the training and education provided under this section are based upon the fire department’s written policies or procedures.

(c) Initial and continuing training to an employee commensurate with and specific to the duties and functions that the employee is expected to perform. The training shall be provided before the employee is permitted to perform emergency operations.

(d) Assurance that the training and education required under this section are provided by a qualified person.

(e) Assurance that firefighters receive annual training and education on incident management and personnel accountability systems.

(f) Assurance that firefighters receive and maintain certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation and automated external defibrillator.

(2) All live fire training shall meet or exceed the requirements of the NFPA 1403: "Standard on Live Fire Training Evolutions," 2018 edition, as adopted in R 408.17405.

(3) An employer shall provide additional training in relevant topics to an employee under any of the following conditions:

(a) An employee has been involved in an accident or near miss incident.

(b) An employee is observed operating in an unsafe manner.

Motion made by Mr. Heim to accept all of the modifications to Rule 7461. Mr. Knowles seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Discussion held regarding a fire department's use of policies, procedures, and/or guidelines. MIOSHA will accept a fire department's written standard operating guideline (SOG) such that it will be viewed as a policy or procedure for the purposes of compliance withing GI Part 74. Use of policies, procedures, and/or guidelines will be included in the enforcement instruction.

Motion made by Mr. Barnes to strike the Appendix. Mr. Cleveland seconded the motion. Discussion held and Mr. Knowles stated he would like to see the enforcement document before voting on this. The enforcement instruction will continue to be compiled and sent to the committee to review once complete. Motion passed.

Survey

The committee started to review the current draft of the survey. It was decided that it would be cleaned up and sent to the committee to review. Once everything is ready, we can have the committee members do the survey first to ensure it works well.

Mr. Syrovsky requested the committee members send him photos of employees following the current rules and the newly proposed/modified rules.

Next Meeting

Monday, July 26, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.